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Independent Auditor's Report

November 13, 2000

The Honorable John G. Morgan Comptroller of the Treasury State Capitol Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Dear Mr. Morgan:

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of the Tennessee Housing Development Agency, a component unit of the State of Tennessee, as of June 30, 2000, and June 30, 1999, and the related statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in retained earnings and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the agency's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements, based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Tennessee Housing Development Agency as of June 30, 2000, and June 30, 1999, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

As discussed in Note 10 to the financial statements, the agency changed its method of reporting bond issuance costs and reserved retained earnings.

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Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements, taken as a whole. The Other Supplementary Information, following the Notes to the Financial Statements, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 13, 2000, on our consideration of the agency's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

Sincerely,

/s/ Arthur A. Hayes, Jr.

Arthur A. Hayes, Jr., CPA, Director Division of State Audit

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